Component Award Description
The recognition of students and staff represents an essential component of exemplary middle level education. The program should be consistent, systematic, and represent an integral part of the school's social fabric. The purpose of the recognition program is to promote student and staff leaders who have earned the respect of the school community. This recognition is geared toward students and staff who display the qualities and characteristics that we hope to instill in others.

Application Criteria

- Schools that apply must be current OMLA Institutional Members.
- A school may apply for a component award in more than one area.
- A school that has received a component award cannot be nominated for a component award in the same area for the following two years.
- Applications must be received by the posted deadline.
- Applicant provides documentation that demonstrates exemplary practices in the specific Component Award area.

Awarding the Honor

- A committee of the Ohio Middle Level Association Executive Board members will review all applications.
- Applicants that meet the criteria on paper are notified and a site-visitation team of OMLA members and/or consultants is scheduled to verify the middle level component practice.
- Recipients will be recognized at the state conference awards reception with a plaque honoring their accomplishment.

*All criteria below must be addressed in the written application to be considered.*

Criteria/Rating Scale

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Award Criteria

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Criterion 4 Awards and recognition are a vital part of school traditions and culture.

Criterion 5 The process for recognizing students and staff involves all stakeholders, reflective of the middle level philosophy and democratic in nature.

Applications must be submitted online or sent to the address below by March 9, 2023

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Ohio Middle Level Association
2023 COMPONENT AWARD
Staff and Student Recognition

About the School

Name of School: _________________________________________________________________

Address:  _______________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________________________________ State: _____ ZIP: ____________

Name of School District: _______________________________________________________

Name of Principal: _____________________________________________________________

Student Enrollment: __________________ Grades: ________________________________

Brief narrative of the school demographics: __________________________________________

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About the Person(s) Completing the Application

Person(s) Completing Application: ______________________________________________

Date of Submission: __________________________________________________________________

Please provide one point of contact for communications:

Contact’s Name: ____________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: _____________________________________________________________________

E-Mail Address: ____________________________________________________________________

Please address each criterion with a separate written response citing examples and/or evidence. Please attach a separate sheet for each Criterion Heading.

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